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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 17, 2004

Sir:

This communication responds to the Office Action mailed December 17, 2004. An extension of time of two months from the three-month shortened statutory period for reply is requested. Please charge any required fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1965.

Please amend the application, as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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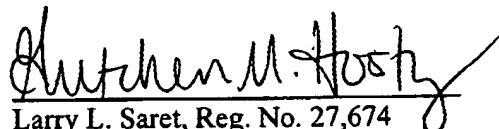
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CONCLUSION

For the reasons discussed above, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-21 are each patentable, and allowance is requested. The Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney to discuss any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,



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